

HOUSE BILL 616

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 37,
Chapter 1, Part 6, relative to a pilot program for
minor victims of human trafficking.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 37, Chapter 1, Part 6, is amended by
adding the following as a new section:

The department of children's services shall partner with a facility to create a pilot
program for the treatment of minor victims of trafficking for a commercial sex act, as
prohibited by § 39-13-309. At the end of the pilot program, the department shall submit
a report to the judiciary committee of the senate and the criminal justice committee of the
house of representatives that includes, but is not limited to, the following items:

- (1) Aggregated demographic data of treated victims; forms of trafficking
involved; presence, number, and history of complex trauma and adverse
childhood experiences by type;
- (2) Length of time and service intensity or treatment plan outlook found to
ready a child to address trafficking trauma;
- (3) Occurrence of comorbid disorders by frequency and rate;
- (4) Length of stay at various levels of service;
- (5) Number of runaway occurrences or other disruptions to treatment;
- (6) Factors that contributed to a victim's cooperation with a child welfare
or law enforcement investigation; and
- (7) Overall length of time in custody.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2017, the public welfare requiring it.